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WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 29th, 1908.

THERE is genuine concern among Republican leaders, including some who are not particularly partial to Secretary Taft, over the programme of the anti-administration forces who are bent on bringing to Chicago contesting delegations from every south state. Senator Foraker's name is generally used as anti-Taft candidate, but "uninstructed delegations" is the cry, the purpose being to secure, if possible, a large number of delegations to trade with. In many of the Southern states, the Forakerites are dealing with the negroes. In Alabama, however, this is not the case. The negroes will have none of the anti-administration crowd and accordingly, the Forakerites are dealing with the so-called "Lily-white" or anti-negro faction. One William Youngblood, a Lily-white leader, is going about the state hiring a hall in each town where a district convention is being held and with the liberal use of money, is "electing" a contesting delegation without pretense of regularity. In many of the southern states the men who are at the front of the anti-administration movement are those who have been discharged by President McKinley or Roosevelt for dishonesty or incompetence, or both.

The programme of the anti-Taft forces who are amply provided with money, is to bring all these delegations to Chicago and endeavor to have them placed on the "temporary roll" of the national convention. Of course it cannot be pretended that these delegations are entitled to such recognition, but their hope is to influence the National Committee to seat them regardless of the merits of the cases. When the convention is called to order the roll of the states will be called and as each is named, its chairman elected by the majority of the delegation, rises and names three men for membership on the committees on credentials, resolutions and permanent organization, respectively. Of course if a majority of spurious delegates are placed on the temporary roll, the men named for the credentials committee will pass on the various contests and the result must be obvious. Only anti-Taft delegates will be placed on the permanent roll wherever there is a contest. It is obvious, therefore, that if the anti-administration forces can control the National Committee they can control the convention, although that is admittedly a big if.

The feature of this situation, which occasions anxiety to the leaders, however, is not the possible outcome of the programme, but the effect which, however it results, it will have in the election. Let the people become convinced that a Republican candidate for President has been nominated by the corrupt manipulation of negro delegates from states in which there is practically no Republican vote, and the result will be to make Democratic votes by the million, say the wise ones. Again, suppose Taft is nominated, will not the fact that such a concerted effort was made have a decidedly serious effect on the fortunes of the party? Can any party have it become generally known that there is even a possibility of such corruption in its national councils, or that such quantities of money have been expended to sway its choice without grave loss of confidence? These are the questions which some of the most distinguished leaders are asking.

This has been a quiet week in Congress, the most important event having been the vote of the Senate committee on Military Affairs on the Brownsville case. That committee, by a vote of 11 to 2 refused to adopt a resolution offered by Senator Foraker, declaring that none of the negro soldiers of the 25th Infantry did the shooting, and of those 2, Mr. Bulkeley, a moment later voted for the duPont resolution, declaring that the evidence showed that the shooting was done by negroes, with the rifles issued to the commissioned officers of the 25th Infantry, so that really, Mr. Foraker was the only member prepared to say that the negroes were all innocent. The vote declaring the opposite, that the negroes were guilty stood 8 to 3, Mr. duPont not voting. Mr. Foraker has already introduced a bill providing that all the discharged soldiers shall be restored to the army, and given their back pay. Senator Warner will introduce a bill authorizing the President to restore to the army and give back pay to any negro soldier who can prove his entire innocence of complicity in the making of the satisfaction of the military authorities.

Steady progress is being made on the Aldrich bill in the Senate. The fact that the President favors the measure and is willing that it shall be called an administration measure constitutes the chief strength of the Aldrich measure, which conforms in all essential details with the recommendations contained in the last annual report of the President. The House seems at present to favor the Fowler bill, which is based largely on the greenback principle, but Speaker Cannon says the House does not know its own mind on the subject at present, and that it will lead the lower chamber as it should go when the time comes.

Sensor Owen, the eighth-blood Cherokee from Oklahoma, greatly promoted his standing in the Senate by his speech on finance this week, and the next day seriously injured his prestige by advocating the removal of all restrictions which Congress has placed on the alienation of his lands by the Indians, when it was known that Mr. Owen had options on a ranch consisting of 13,000 acres of the finest land in Oklahoma, the title to which he could secure only by a passage of the amendment he advocated.

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MODES OF THE MOMENT

With the beginning of March maidens and matrons alike begin to think longingly of the Easter hat and although it is full early to speak of these dainty creations still the millinery modes have already declared themselves and everywhere milliners are having openings and the "very latest fashions from Paris" are displayed. A good many small hats are shown and among these are some large toque and turban shapes that are very smart indeed. Flowers are of course used for trimmings, as is always the case at this season of the year but a good many more feathers are seen than is usual in the spring and summer styles.

Some Smart Hats

A medium sized hat of white chip has the brim sloping down a little towards the back in the modified mushroom style. It is trimmed around the rather high crown with large pink roses and about the crown is a graceful draping of mosseline de soie worked in eyelid embroidery effect. Another stunning chaplet seen at an opening was a rather large shape of Copenhagen blue straw trimmed around the left side of the crown with a long ostrich plume that hung over the brim in the back. Across the front was one of the new broad bows made of inch and a half ribbon with two loops on each side of the knot. Then there was a large turban of soft brown straw, twisted and manipulated into artistic curves and folds. This was adorned on the left side with a soft bunch of ostrich plumes in dull shades of brown and tan that gave an indescribable softening touch to the face.

For the first two weeks it is best to keep the hen and her young in a large house or coop, so that they can exercise and at the same time they can be protected from the weather. After that time they can be allowed outdoors during the middle of nice days.

The egg crop is increasing in bulk and decreasing in price.

All pens should be mated by now, if in tended for breeding purposes.

Be sure that the new male bird you are using for breeding is no relative of the hens. You can not expect strong, rugged stock where there is a close relationship between sire and dams.

If it is intended to purchase eggs for hatching this season, the order had better be placed now, so that there will be no disappointment in not getting the eggs when wanted.

For strong fertility, try alternating male birds in the pens. Have either two males for each pen, or three males for two pens, using only one male at a time in a pen, and changing about twice a week.

Eggs from two-year-old hens are apt to hatch best at this time, and the chicks will be more thrifty than those from pullet eggs.

As a rule the eggs from hens that did heavy laying during the winter will not be so fertile as eggs from hens that made but a fair showing.

OATS AND HOW TO GROW THEM

I should be lost without a good crop of oats; they come in so handy for all kinds of stock, from hens up to horses.

It is not so very much trouble to get a good crop of oats. All we need to do is to have the ground in good condition, get at it in proper season, use good seed and wait.

A good many times we are in too big a hurry about getting in our oats; not too soon, but too much of a hurry to get through. So we slip over the work and then wonder why we do not get good returns.

Land should be plowed as early as possible for oats; but wait till it is dry enough so that it will not bake and be lumpy; lumpy land is spoiled land.

Then harrow thoroughly, over and over again, till there is a good, soft, mellow seed-bed. We often miss it by slighting this part of the work. Do not leave anything to be done by the drill. It sometimes happens that when we are in a hurry we think we will not harrow very well,—"the drill will finish it." Not good farming!

If you have some nice, fine, dry hen manure, sift it and sow it through the fertilizer attachment of your drill. It is the best fertilizer for this purpose that I know of. If you have none, try a small amount of commercial fertilizer not more than 150 to 200 pounds to the acre. You will get good returns from this. Then roll the land and wait till harvest comes.

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THE POULTRY YARD

If you have a sheltered place, not only to set the hens but also to rear the young, March hatches will be profitable. Barrels laid on their sides under a shed or some outbuilding, make ideal nests at this time of the year.

Do not make the common error of setting hens in the regular laying houses, and never be guilty of shutting up a hen on the nest. The barrel method is far better, and if a small lath run is built in front of the nest, the hen can get off and on her eggs as she deems best.

Some hens sit too closely to the nest, and others not close enough. But it is the province of man to know just how long biddy should remain on or off her eggs. Her judgment is best in such matters.

It is not advisable at this time of the year to place more than eleven eggs under a hen, as those on the outer edge are apt to become chilled.

Do not disturb her while she is hatching; and leave the young in the nest for at least twenty-four hours. The youngsters need the warmth more than they do food.

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USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

Some sand or pebbles, put in tall, slender vases containing flowers, will prevent their tipping over.

If jewelry is sent periodically to a jeweler for cleaning and repolishing it will—at a nominal cost—always look like new.

To take grease out of leather apply the white of an egg to the spot and dry in the sun. Repeat the application till the stain is removed.

Mica in stoves is readily cleaned by taking it out and washing thoroughly with vinegar diluted. If the black does not come off at once let it soak a little.

Water standing in a room is a good disinfectant, as it absorbs all impurities.

If your coal fire is low throw on a tablespoonful of salt and it will help it very much.

Pumpkin seed are very attractive to mice and traps baited with them will soon destroy their nests.

Windows may be kept free from ice and polished by rubbing the glass with a sponge dipped in alcohol.

To test nutmegs, prick them with a pin, and if they are good the oil will instantly spread around the puncture.

Never fill an oil or spirit lamp or a paraffin lamp either, for that matter, while it is alight. It is quite easy for the vapor to catch fire and set the spirit or oil, in the bottle alight, and an explosion will most likely follow. Always turn the lamp out before refilling it.

After filling a lamp, too, be careful to wipe the outside dry, for a trickle of oil on the sides might easily catch fire.

Don't allow the oil to stand in the lamp for very long. If it is not burned, it should be thrown away. It gathers impurities and increases the risk of an explosion. For the same reason always keep the paraffin can well corked.

Never blow down the chimney of a lamp to put it out. If your lamp hasn't an extinguisher and must be blown out, blow under the ventilator, upwards.

Never leave a lamp half turned down on a table while you are out of the room. A sudden draught may suck the flame down into the reservoir and cause an explosion.

Be careful when you light a fire in the kitchen that there is plenty of water in the boiler. Otherwise, when the cold water rushes into the hot boiler it is likely to crack it.

Don't put the clothes round the fire to dry, and then go to bed and leave them. A spark may easily fly out of the fire and set them alight. Never leave a wood fire unguarded. Always put a metal fire screen or something of that sort in front of it to prevent the sparks flying.

Don't try to make a fire draw by holding a newspaper up in front of it. If it doesn't set fire to the mantelpiece hangings or to your own clothes, it may fly blazing up the chimney and set that alight.

UNJUST CRITICISM

Perhaps no class of people meet with so much, or so severe criticism as teachers. Much of this criticism

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A DESERVED TRIBUTE

A man does not care to be praised for doing what he considers merely an honest deed, and under ordinary circumstances we would not mention the action of our neighbor, James B. Messick, in paying eighteen years after a business reverse, the unpaid balance of a compromise with his creditors. But this is an exceptional case and worthy of all honor. No one in this community needed this proof of Mr. Messick's honesty. For more than sixteen years he has lived among us, and by strict attention to business, honorable methods and judicious advertising has placed himself in a position where he could cancel this, to him, debt of honor. And he has done it. His action is one that is a shining example and must tend to a higher sense of business and moral honesty, not only in this community, but all through Delaware, as the "fame of his high renown" has been spread from Brandywine to Baltimore. No more can be said than that "an honest man is the noblest work of God." Diogenes searched the streets of ancient Athens for an honest man. A modern Diogenes could find many, as we think Mr. Messick is not in a class alone. We believe that the modern idea of what is right and proper includes a strict sense of honesty in all things.

ARE WE WRONG?

In our editorial experience we have been but seldom in accord with *Every Evening's* views on any political matter. Now, when from one issue that organ quotes in full two articles, we begin to doubt even our own opinion. Rather, we fear that we have not made ourselves plainly understood. Especially is this so in regard to the article on what we conceive the approaching State Convention should do. *Every Evening* has abused the President, and opposed practically every measure proposed by the President that goes to make up what is known as the Roosevelt policy; viz: Federal control of corporations doing an interstate business, rate regulation, the elimination of the "fellow-servant" plea in litigation, the limiting of the hours which certain railroad employees shall be allowed to work, and the "fair play program." It has gone so far in its opposition that should the two candidates for the presidency, by any chance, be Bryan and Roosevelt, the *Every Evening* would have to omit all editorial reference to national politics and fill its space with discussions of things religious, agricultural and social.

But, in spite of our contemporary's approval, we must continue in our belief that there should be no question of an unqualified endorsement of the President and his policies by the Convention. As we stated last week, we do not believe that it will be possible to prevent such an endorsement. Nor do we think there will be such an attempt. The leaders of the party certainly know what the people want, and if they do not, they can ascertain before the seventh of April, and the secret of successful leadership lies in giving the people what they want.

WOMEN AS WAGE EARNERS

The Journal of Political Economy in a recent issue presents some instructive figures bearing on woman as engaged in the useful occupations. The figures were gathered by two women connected with the Chicago University. They reveal not only a remarkable "invasion" by the gentler sex, of new fields, an equally remarkable shifting about, so to speak.

The basis of the showing is the tenth census, according to which there are 303 occupations. In two hundred and ninety-five of these women appear, and it is only in the United States army and navy, in fire departments and as helpers—sunskilled assistants to roofers, slaters, steam boiler makers and brass workers that they are not represented.

In 1900 more than five million women were earning wages, and for the decade covered the number of the sex engaged in remunerative industry increased faster than the female population, while the rate of increase in respect to employment was greater than the correspond-

ing rate foreemployment of men.

A peculiar exhibit is that in some of the occupations more usually associated with woman man outstripped the erstwhile "domestic slaves." For example, women, milliners increased in ten years 40.5 per cent; men milliners 840 per cent. Women dressmakers increased 17.8 per cent; men dressmakers 150 per cent. Again women seamstresses increased only .04 per cent., while men "seamstresses" increased 20.8 per cent. and it is also found that men have been crowding the women out of the "saloon" business, the laundries, and in a certain measure the mills.

Women, however, increased in all departments of trade and transportation 120.3 to men's 37.6 per cent., and distanced the sterner sex in all but one of the five large groups classified in the census.

As a contemporary says, it is well known that certain sociologists and writers on political economy hold the theory that race suicide, the decreasing marriage rate, the increasing divorce rate, wife abandonment, the disappearance of the cook and various other domestic ills are ascribable to the tendency of the modern woman to struggle for financial independence outside the home.

However this may be, it is a fact that woman is becoming an important factor in the business world.

WHY NOT START EARLY

Fifty years ago there was some excuse for bad roads, for our country was poor. Now there is no excuse. A good road is always to be desired, and is a source of comfort and convenience to every traveler. Good roads attract population as well as good schools and churches. Good roads improve the value of property, so that it is said a farm lying five miles from market connected by a bad road, is of less value than an equally good farm connected by a good road. A larger load can be drawn by one horse over a good road than by two over a bad one. Good roads encourage the greater exchange of products and commodities between one section and another. Good roads are of great value to any town as a feeder, but unfortunately for Middletown the Maryland road, which is traversed by a large number of people, is almost impassable, and while it is to be repaired during the present year, it is likely to be several months before the work is begun. This road was in bad shape last year, and on one of his visits to this section, County Engineer Wilson drove over a portion of it, and was outspoken as to its bad condition.

Now the writer has been reading in the *Wilmington papers* of recent date, where some of the road work is to begin as soon as weather conditions will permit, but there has been no mention made as to when this much-needed road is to be improved, which is undoubtedly the worst piece of road to be repaired this year.

It is not the intention of the writer to dictate to Mr. Wilson in reference to his duties, but knowing he is familiar with the bad condition of this thoroughfare, and inasmuch as the work is to be done this year, we think it unwise to defer building it until the fall, which is usually the time selected to repair the roads in this section of the county.

TAX-PAYER.

LETTER TO MISS L. V. HOWELL

Middletown, Del.
Dear Madam: Here's another problem for those arithmetic and algebra scholars: If Devoe is worth 1.75 a gallon, and spreads a half further than average paint and wears twice as long, what is average paint worth a gallon put-on, painters wages being \$3.50 a day and a day's work a gallon on point.
The answer is minus \$1.75 a gallon. That is: you could afford to paint with average paint if somebody gives it to you and pays half the painters wages.
Yours truly,
P. S. J. F. McWhorter & Son, sell our paint.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

Mr. Leroy Bloomer will soon open a first class livery.
Mr. Charles Lake has been spending a few days in town.
Sheriff Hager moved his family to Elkton on Thursday.

Mrs. Reba Freas, of Salem, N. J., is visiting Mrs. William Brown.

Mrs. John Jarden, of Baltimore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. E. Clark.

Z. T. Loveless spent several days last week in Wilmington and Philadelphia.

Mr. John Norton, of Philadelphia, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Groome Steele entertained a few friends on Saturday evening.

Miss Sallie Woodall, of Georgetown, is being entertained by Mrs. James Hopper.

Mrs. Carrie Boulden, of Philadelphia, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Banks.

Dr. Harry Cleaver, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his father, Mr. T. J. Cleaver.

Miss Reba Ruthvin has returned to her home in Chester after a delightful visit with Mrs. Henry Kibler.

Mrs. Augusta Beachamp will open a millinery parlor in the Masonic building about the middle of this month.

William and Charles Schaefer, students of Delaware College, were visitors in town on Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Bennett Steele entertained Misses Minnie and Lucy Reed and Dora Steele at dinner last Tuesday evening.

The Euchre Club was entertained by Misses Florence Egan and Mary Cooper at the home of Miss Egan on Thursday evening.

The entertainment given by the Chesapeake City schools on Friday evening, February 28th, was quite a success. The gross receipts were \$54.20. The expenses for music, hall, plays, officer and incidentals amounted to \$17.60, leaving the net receipts \$36.60. The program was as follows: Music, Chesapeake City Band; Play, "Mother Goose as a Monarch"; Ward Method of Teaching Reading; Botany drill; Chorus, "My Vernon Bell"; Recitation, "Just Like Dad," John Houck; Sale of jointed dolls; "Grandpa," a farce comedy in one act, James Vaughan, Marie Byers, George Boren, Mary Ford; Hatchet motion song; "A Scheme that Failed," a comedy in one act, John Hopper, Carroll Woolleyhan, Gladys Banks, Augusta Egan, Mamie Jefferson, Lulu Bryson; Music, Chesapeake City Band.

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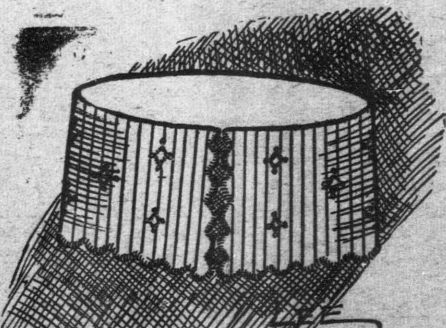
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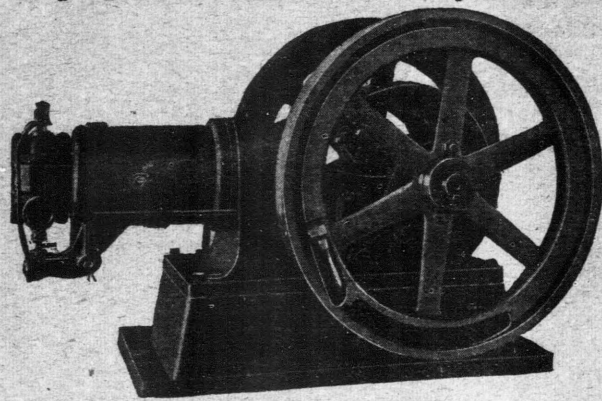
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S. Georges, Del., Dec. 30th, 1907.
Messrs. J. F. McWhorter & Son,
Middletown, Delaware.

Gentlemen:—The 8-horse-power Olds gasoline engine I bought of you three years ago, is giving me perfect satisfaction, and should I at any time need more power, I would get another of the same, but larger. The one I have pumps all the water, shells all the corn, grinds all the feed, separates the milk, churns the cream, runs the washing machine, grinds the sausage, and in fact takes the place of a man, and is always ready. Of the many gasoline engines, I think the Olds the simplest and easiest to operate, as it has the least working parts to get out of order. I installed mine myself; have not needed anybody to look after it, have not needed any repairs, and do not notice any wear in three years' use. It is a labor saver. For raising water a wind engine is a back number compared with an Olds gasoline engine. You don't have to wait 'till the wind blows with the latter, and it can be used for various purposes. A trial will convince anyone that they are second to none.

Yours respectfully,
GEO. D. CROSSLAND.

Middletown, Del., Dec. 28th, 1907.

J. F. McWhorter & Son,
Middletown, Del.
Dear Sirs:—Yours of the 16th received, as ing me to say what I think of the Olds gasoline engine I bought of you. In reply will say it has given me satisfaction, and is all that you claim for it. I bought it for a 3-horse-power, and it is full power. You as ed me to mention how much the repairs have cost since I bought it. I have bought one spark plug which cost \$1.25. This is all I have paid for repairs, and have been using the engine over two years.

E. W. MANLOVE.

Middletown, Del., Dec. 1st, 1907.

J. F. McWhorter & Son,
Middletown, Del.
Gentlemen:—The Olds gasoline engine purchased from you last spring, is doing me very excellent work. I have used it for most everything on the farm that an engine can be used for. I find it most simple and easy to run, and keep in order, and think it the strongest machine of the kind I ever saw, and the horse power is all that is claimed for it; in fact, some of the tests I have given it, demonstrated full six horse power if not more. While I had some little trouble at first, it was no fault of the engine; the whole matter being in the battery. I put on a new battery and have since had no trouble, and the machine has cost me nothing for repairs and is always ready for use.

Respectfully Yours,
JOHN P. COCHRAN, JR.

Middletown, Del., Dec. 26th, 1907.

J. F. McWhorter & Son.
Gentlemen:—I have used the 7-horse-power Olds gasoline engine bought of you for nearly two years, and have found it perfectly satisfactory in every particular; plenty of power and always ready to run. I have had experience with several other makes, but with none like the Olds.

Yours truly,
J. C. GREEN.

St. Georges, Del., Jan. 5th, 1908.
My Dear Sirs:—It has been but a very short time since I became acquainted with the Olds gasoline engine. Before buying I was advised by several to make my investment in the Olds engine for several reasons, and

since I have used it I find it the cost in many ways. It is the least complicated and the easiest adjusted of any other engine on the market. Easy to start and willing to go. I find it a help saver in many ways. I pump the water for my stock, do my churning, grind my feed, shell corn, all with perfect satisfaction, and expect to make it do many other things as soon as I can arrange for them. I also think it is more powerful than the power they claim for it. I don't know how I ever got along without it, and surely will not be without one again as long as I am on the farm.

Yours very respectfully,
JAMES B. MOORE.

Middletown, Del., Dec. 31st, 1907.

J. F. McWhorter & Son.
Gents:—In reply to your letter asking me what I have to say about the Olds engine I bought of you. Will say I cannot say too much for this engine. It suits me to perfection. I have not had any trouble with it in any way since I bought it. I bought it for 8-horse-power, and am sure it is full power. Now that I have used it I would not know how to get along without it. It is a good investment.

J. COWGILL ALSTON.

Middletown, Del., Dec. 30th, 1907.
Messrs. J. F. McWhorter & Son.

Gents:—I have been using the Olds gas engine you sold me on June 11th, with perfect satisfaction. It is simple, easy to run, and has not cost me one cent for repairs during the 7 months it has been in use, and for the use we have for it (ice cream making) it is a model engine.

Respectfully yours,
W. B. KATES.

Port Penn, Del., Dec. 27th, 1907.

J. F. McWhorter & Son.
Gentlemen:—I can say that the Olds gasoline engine, is all that they claim for it. My engine is an 8-horse-power, and has been running a little over four years. My work is mostly grinding feed. The repairs have cost me six or eight dollars, most of which has been my own carelessness. My batteries have never been refilled.

Yours truly,
R. H. KEEN.

Cecilton, Md., Dec. 23d, 1907.

J. F. McWhorter & Son.
Gentlemen:—In reply to your letter. I would say: The Olds engine that I have been using for nearly 3 years, has given me good satisfaction. It is a good strong machine, and easy to operate. I have done good work with it, and I cannot speak too high in its favor.

Respectfully,
J. T. MANLOVE.

Warwick, Md., January 22d, 1908.

Messrs. J. F. McWhorter & Son,
Middletown, Del.

Gentlemen:—Having used the Olds engine for over a year, I am glad to say that it has more than come up to the recommendation you gave it. Am using it for grinding, shelling corn, sawing and practically doing all the heavy work in an up-to-date wheelwright and blacksmith shop. I have no hesitancy in saying that no shop or farm is complete without an Olds engine. While I have but a 3-horse power, it at times develops at least 5 horse. It is very simple and easy to run, and cost for repairs practically nothing, having cost me but 30 cents during the year, aside from batteries. I consider it the greatest investment I have made lately.

Respectfully,
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We have on hand 80 dozen men's shirts in all colors and sizes. We bought this lot of shirts at a great bargain and we will give the public the benefit of our purchase. The shirts range in value from a dollar to forty-five cents but we will sell them at 35c or 3 for \$1.

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Going North—7:35 a. m., 10:05 a. m., 4:05 p. m.
Going South—4:05 p. m., 6:15 p. m., and 8 p. m.
For Odessa—7:50 a. m., 8:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 4:05 p. m.
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MIDDLETOWN, DEL., MARCH 7, 1908.

Local News

Pictures of the late Bishop Coleman can be had at
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FOR SALE.—Rose Comb Rhode Island Red eggs, by the setting in 100 lots. The chicken for the farmer as they are great winter layers.
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This month, only, extra thick \$30.00 French grade Outdoor mattresses for \$18.50, 60 lbs., covered beautiful mercerized French art silk. W. J. WILSON.

FOR SALE.—1000 chestnut posts. Apply to
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FOR RENT.—The seven room dwelling on East Main street, now occupied by George S. Richards. Possession given March 25th, 1908. Mrs. H. V. PAVIS.

Go to H. R. Wilson, the up-to-date cigar and tobacco dealer and try the famous Lipshutz 44 5c cigar, Blunt & Longers. Use your judgment and be convinced.

A Box and Pie Social will be held at Woodland School House near Armstrong's Corner, on Friday evening, March 20, '08, proceeds for the benefit of the school fund. All are cordially invited to attend.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE OR RENT.—Store, house and dwelling at Summit Bridge, Del.; possession given March 25. Apply to Samuel A. Birch, Glasgow, Del., or Geo. W. Ingram, Middletown, Del.

Uncollected Letters.—The following list of letters remain uncollected in the post office for the week ending Feb. 27th: Miss Mollie Henry, Miss Mary Lane, Miss Myrtle Woodruff, Mr. Herman Gibbs, Mr. Alford Lee, Mr. James Ross.

Mrs. A. Fogel is attending the whole-sale Spring Millinery Openings in New York City this week, where she is also selecting a large assortment of the very latest creations which will display at their opening. The date will be announced later in this paper.

Little Miss Viola Marker, of near town, was tendered a postal surprise on Tuesday, it being her eighth birthday. The little Miss received six cards, some of them being very handsome and costly, all wishing her many more happy birthdays.

The Transcript readers are doubtless aware by this time that if a newspaper allows a subscriber to be one year in arrears on a subscription, hereafter, the publisher will be fined by the postal authorities. We hope our subscribers will remit at once on all subscriptions over that time.

Messrs. J. F. McWhorter & Son have the agency for the "Olds" gasoline engines, and their ad. appears in this issue. If you are thinking of buying one, read the testimonials of those who are using the "Olds," in their ad. You know them, and what they say about the engine's wonderful work, can be relied upon as absolutely true.

Before very long the Red Men of Delaware will have established a home for their aged and indigent. There is now \$5,000 in hand for the home and this fund was started with a five cent piece contributed several years ago. The home may be located in Kent County in order to be near the center of the reservation.

We heard one of our citizens say a good word for insurance companies the other day and we hasten to give the companies the benefit of it. He said with all their faults they always gave away good blotters and calendars. This reminds us that if our business men are going to need any blotters, they would do well to see us before ordering.

The Red Cross Society has issued and placed on sale the all-year-round stamps, and they can be purchased at the local drug stores at one cent each. The Society is doing a wonderful work, and our people should encourage them. The money derived from the sale of this issue of stamps will be used in erecting a sanitarium at Rehoboth.

The annual election of officers of Bethesda M. E. Sunday School was held last week, with the following result: Superintendent, Alfred G. Cox; Assistant Superintendent, Rev. W. H. Hutchins; Secretary, Daniel J. W. Stevens; Assistant Secretary, J. Elwood Denny; Treasurer, S. E. Massey; Librarian, George F. Wilson; Pianist, Mrs. J. Elwood Denny; Assistant pianist, Miss Lenora Lee; Superintendent Infant Department, Miss Anna M. Freeman.

Don't forget the grand benefit of our local Volunteer Firemen, in the Opera House, next Thursday and Friday evenings, March 12th and 13th, when will be presented that laughable 3-act comedy, "College Days." Mr. William Howe, who is staging this play, is well pleased with the entire cast who have made such rapid progress in their several parts. Specialties will be given between the acts by the Vinyard Children, Miss Estelle Seydman, Harry Vinyard and the Middletown Quartette. The firemen extend a cordial invitation to all their friends to come out to witness this splendid play which they guarantee to please all. Prices for general admission 25 cents; Reserved seats 35 cents, and can be had at Letherbury's Hardware Store on and after to-day, March 7th. Our citizens should turn out and help this worthy cause. Let the Opera House be crowded both nights.

Don't forget the freak exhibit exhibition to-day. This is a curiosity worth seeing, and the proceeds derived from the exhibit will be for the benefit of the piano fund of the Middletown public schools. The exhibit will be held in the rear of Mr. J. L. Shepherd's office, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 4 P. M., and the admission will be 10 cents to all. The call which is now five weeks old, has a head resembling that of a sheep, while the body is natural.

It has been frequently suggested, and the suggestion is a good one, for every farmer to place his name and the name of his farm on his road-gate. Not only would persons driving to a place more easily find it, but it would add more pleasure and interest to people driving from place to place. This last result would have special effect to well kept and pretty houses. An observing person will seldom pass a beautiful farm without desiring to know who is its enterprising owner.

Through the efforts of State Detective Gillis, Elwood Wiggins, colored, has been arrested in Philadelphia, and is being held there awaiting extradition to this State to answer the charge of murder. He is accused of shooting William Denny, also colored, during a card game near Middletown last July. Denny later died at the New Castle County Workhouse. After locating the man in a pool room in South street, Philadelphia, Detective Gillis and two officers of the Philadelphia Police Department placed him under arrest.

OUR SCHOOLS

While this paper has always been a warm friend to the school of our town it intends to take a deeper interest in them during the ensuing year. We believe it is the duty of every citizen to take a live interest in our schools. During the years that are past some of diplomas have been handed out as class after class of our young people have stepped out of school life into life's school. Would that we could, in this issue of our paper place before its readers the familiar face of each and every one, but such is among the impossibilities. Our school home! What words fall upon the ear with so much music in their cadence as those which recall the scenes of school days now numbered with the memories of the past? Intervening years have not dimmed the vivid colorings with which memory has adorned those joyous days.

While all graduates in much the same manner how different has the wheel of fortune turned. Some with plaintive tongues have had to walk in lowly ways of life's weary way, others in loftier hymns, have sung of nothing but joy, as they have trodden the mountain top, but no matter how near the summit or base of the mountain of fame you meet with a graduate from our schools, you meet with one who is a credit to society. "As the twig is bent so is the tree inclined," and habits were formed under the moulding power of a moral atmosphere which seemed to permeate the schools of our little town which stays by one through life. Our school life is indeed the golden link that binds youth to age, and he is still but a child, however time may have furrowed his cheek or silvered his brow who can yet recall, with a softened heart, the happy school days passed in this town.

Among the many able principals of our schools, none have advanced it more rapidly, or are entitled to more credit for its present high standard than the present incumbent. For the past 4 years she has been at the head of the schools and they have been of the most successful and brightest in the history of school life in this town. Miss Howell is by nature and education an instructor. She puts her whole heart and life into her school work. She has a happy faculty of conveying knowledge to others, possessed by but few, and since she went to the pilot the schools of our town have sailed in smooth waters and gradually advanced from good to better, until they stand today the pride of the town and a credit to the state.

More practical through school instructor would be hard to find, and those who have the honor of receiving a diploma from her hands can be assured they merited it, and have received an education that is solid and substantial and that will polish and brighten their entire lives. Thoroughness is the motto of our schools under the management of Miss Howell and her able assistants.

ROLLS OF HONOR

The following pupils of Middletown Public Schools have obtained 90 per cent. or better for the month of February: HIGGS SCHOOL. No Report.—Owing to illness of Principal.

DEPARTMENT NO. 2. A Class—Rupert Barstian, Irving Brockton, John Hoffacker. B Class—Maude Taylor, Helen McDowell, Viola Weber, Frank Richards.

DEPARTMENT NO. 3. A Class—Hannah Kirk, Elizabeth Gibbs. B Class—Alice Boulden.

DEPARTMENT NO. 4. A Class—Sarah Kates, Lillian Scott, Mildred Rodgers. B Class—Leticia Pearce, Martha Jones, John Kumpel, Clarence Weber.

DEPARTMENT NO. 5. A Class—Odell Gallagher, Alma Whitlock, Olive Louk, Mildred Vaughan, Harry Maul, Frank Walker, Elmer Vinyard, Foster Johnson, Cortlandt Pinder, Frank McWhorter. B Class—Katharine Alexander, Mabel Pinder, George Swain, Lelia Pratt, Mildred Hall, Albert Schuman.

Brown Cottage School. The following pupils have attained the average of 90 per cent. for the month of February: Nina Castelow, Bertha Manlove, Lena Manlove, Jessie Kohl, Avery Donovan, Irving Sparks, William Clark, Joseph Murray.

THE TOWN ELECTION

Although there was not a contest at the municipal election on Monday last, 128 votes were cast which demonstrates the fact that our people are taking more interest in the management of our town. There it must be remembered that all of the taxes had been collected—consequently everybody had a right to cast a vote. The manner in which J. A. Cleaver collected the taxes has been a source of much gratification, and places the affairs of the town in excellent shape. The result of the balloting was as follows: For Commissioners, Geo. V. Peverley, 119; Joseph Hanson, 124, with no opposition. For Treasurer, Edward Reynolds, 127 votes, no opposition. For Assessor, S. S. Holten winning by 5 votes. For Alderman, A. G. Cox, 124 votes, no opposition.

PERSONALITIES

Mrs. A. Fogel is visiting New York this week.

Mrs. Martin Barr is visiting her son in Elwyn, Pa.

Miss Lily M. Scott spent this week in Philadelphia.

Dr. J. Allen Johnson was in Philadelphia last week.

Miss Edith Frances, of Smyrna, spent Sunday with Miss Viola Weber.

Mrs. Carrie Farrell, of Smyrna, is spending this week with relatives here.

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Comegys, of Smyrna, were guests of their parents this week.

Mrs. Arthurs, of Kenton, spent last week with her mother, Mrs. Susan Wright.

Miss Mary Richards spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Wilmington.

Miss Mary C. Gill spent several days of this week with relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. Joseph Beale and wife, of Wilmington, were guests of Mrs. R. Weber Sunday.

Miss Lena Pleasanton has been spending several days with friends near Kirkwood.

Miss Louise Eichenhofer, of Philadelphia, was the guest of her parents this week.

Mrs. V. W. Massey, of Wilmington, visited her son, S. Emlin Massey, last Saturday.

Mrs. Lottie Reynolds, of Newark, has been spending several days with Miss Mary Beaton.

Mrs. Earl Baum, of Delaware City, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Armstrong last week.

Miss Mary Lewis, of Trenton, N. J., spent last Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Lewis.

Mrs. H. C. Browne, of Wilmington, spent several days this week with her mother, Mrs. Henrietta Parvis.

Miss Elizabeth Lindley is spending sometime at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Harry Griffith, near Sassafras, Md.

Mrs. G. G. Janvier has returned from a visit to her daughter, Miss Nellie, at Pelham Manor School, Long Island.

Miss Tighman and Miss Eliza Cochran, of Elwyn, Pa., were in town last Saturday, attending the funeral of Miss Susan Jostis.

Miss Myrtle Houston will leave this week for Baltimore, Md., where she will spend several weeks with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Naudain.

The many friends of Mrs. J. G. Bragdon, were delighted when she returned to her home here on Wednesday, after an absence of several weeks in Philadelphia, where she was operated on for appendicitis.

Mr. C. P. Cochran was operated on at the Polytechnic Hospital on Tuesday, and while the operation was of a serious nature, the nurse and attending physician are hopeful for his speedy recovery, and his many friends here are pleased to hear of his condition being so favorable.

OBITUARY

ELI DICKINSON

After a brief illness death claimed Eli Dickinson on Friday, February 28th, 1908, at his home near Summit Bridge. Mr. Dickinson had suffered with bronchial trouble for many years, and when he was stricken a few days previous to his death his immediate family did not realize he was seriously ill.

Eli Dickinson was the son of William and Rebecca Dickinson deceased, and a brother to John W. Dickinson, of this town, and was born on the farm now owned by Mr. George Dickinson, near town, 68 years ago. He was a veteran of the Civil War having served in the Fourth Delaware Regiment, Company B. At the close of the Civil War he spent 11 years in the West, and then returned to his native State, where he has resided since, with the exception of a few years when he was engaged in business in Chester, Pa. He leaves a devoted widow, one son, two brothers and one sister to mourn his death. He had been a Christian for many years. Funeral services were held in Summit Bridge M. E. Church on Monday afternoon at one o'clock, and the services were conducted by his pastor. Interment was made in Forest Cemetery.

MRS. GEORGE INSOLO

Mrs. Sophia Insole, wife of George Insole, 46 years of age, died after a long illness at her residence on the "Bank Farm," four miles east of Townsend. She is survived by her husband and four children. Services were held at her residence at 10 A. M. Monday morning, and burial was at the Odd Fellows' Cemetery, Smyrna, Rev. MacSorley officiating.

WILLIAM J. COURSEY

William J. Coursey, of St. Augustine, Fla., died at his home at that place, on February 20th, aged 78 years. He was an Odd Fellow and the Cohoback Lodge, No. 383, of St. Augustine, attended the funeral. He leaves a family.

"THE TIME, THE PLACE AND THE GIRL"

A musical comedy which rushes along on its laughing, swinging, dashing way, with a vim and rapidity, a bewildering, delightful array of pretty girls, catchy music, whirlwind dances, and laughable dialogue and incident, comes to "Valiant Street Theatre, Philadelphia, on Monday, March 9th, for a two weeks' engagement.

"The Time, The Place and The Girl," is the title of this charming conglomeration and despite the above features, it has a plot, logical and of absorbing interest, whose thread is never lost sight of, no matter how interrupted by musical interpolations.

Arthur Deagon, a big magnetic comedian, who can sing and dance and who is an actor as well, plays the principal role, Happy Johnny Hicks, a rough, good-natured and "on the level" gambler. George Drew Hendricks, a niece of John Drew, and therefore intimately associated with Philadelphia theatricals through her family ties for generations, plays Molly Hicks, a Red Cross nurse, with whom Hicks is in love; Harriet Burt, a statuette beauty, plays the prima donna part; Violet McMillen, a doll-like little comedienne, plays "The Girl" of the title, and other principals include George Eber, Kenneth Delacy, and others.

ODESSA

Miss Helen Watkins spent last week with relatives in East Orange, N. J.

Mrs. Frank Kromer, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with relatives near town.

H. B. Massey, of Wilmington, is visiting his parents, Harry Massey and wife.

Mrs. Ida Heller has returned from a few days' visit with relatives in Wilmington.

James H. S. Gam and wife, of St. Georges, visited Mrs. Caroline Hahn on Sunday.

Miss Anna Heller, of Wilmington, is spending sometime with her mother, Mrs. A. Heller.

Misses Frances E. Husband and Minnie Armstrong were guests of friends in Wilmington on Saturday.

Charles Armstrong, wife and two children, of Landenberg, Pa., are visiting her father, Elwood Dulin.

Deval Rhodes, of Wilmington, was the guest of his parents, George W. Rhodes and wife, Sunday.

Mrs. Wilson Marsteller, of Philadelphia, spent several days of last week at the home of John Heldmyer and family.

Mrs. Emma Catts and two children, of near town, spent Wednesday of this week with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Armstrong.

Miss Edna Ewell has returned home, after an extended visit with relatives in Washington, D. C., and Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. Earl Baum, of Delaware City, was the guest of her brother, Joseph M. Armstrong and wife, on Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Harry Lightcap has returned home from Concord, Md., where she was called on Sunday on account of the serious illness of her mother.

Mrs. Grace Salmons and Mrs. Clara Hall, of Farmington, spent Saturday and Sunday at the parsonage, the guests of Rev. and Mrs. D. J. Givan.

Stanley S. Stevens and wife, of Delaware City, and I. Moody Stevens, of Chester, Pa., spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Alfred Stevens.

Mrs. Charles Megeed and daughter Helen have returned to their home in Philadelphia, after an extended visit with her mother, Mrs. William Heller.

On to-morrow, (Sunday), Mr. William Rice, of Holesite, Ontario, will preach in Drury's Presbyterian Church both morning and evening. Everyone is most cordially invited to attend.

While attending to her home duties on Saturday morning last, Mrs. J. Harry Massey was stricken with paralysis, her right side and throat being afflicted, she not having spoken a word since that time.

Revival meetings are still in progress at St. Pauls M. E. Church, and much interest is being manifested, there having been about 80 conversions. On last Sunday evening Mrs. Clara Hall sang a beautiful solo to a large and appreciative audience.

TOWNSEND

Fresh oysters every day at H. GILL'S.

Walter Finley, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Heston Atwell, of Philadelphia, visited friends here on Wednesday.

Miss Hylie Boulden, of near Cecilton, visited Mrs. W. H. Reynolds on Saturday.

Mrs. Edgar Reynolds and daughter Marian visited Wilmington on Saturday.

Mrs. S. J. Brockton, of Middletown, visited Miss Estella VanDyke on Friday.

Mrs. George Satterfield and son Latimer are visiting her sister, Mrs. Burris, near Cecilton.

Miss Tilly Tighman, of Philadelphia, was an over Sunday visitor with Miss E. J. Maloney.

James Watts and wife, of Cecilton, spent Thursday and Friday with W. N. Watts and wife.

Mrs. Mary Carpenter, of near Odessa, spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Beulah Hodgson.

Albert Watts and family, of Cecilton, were over Sunday visitors with L. B. Shockey and wife.

Miss Anna Sharpless spent Saturday and Sunday with friends and relatives in Kennett Square and Tacony.

Miss Devonia Whitlock, of Philadelphia, has accepted a position as clerk in W. T. DeValinger's store.

The Calendar Club will give a Supper Tuesday evening, March 10th, in the Church Hall. The public is cordially invited to be present.

Mrs. I. Pritchard who was taken to Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, about five weeks ago, was brought to her home on Wednesday. She was accompanied by her son, Dr. Clarence Pritchard and Dr. T. A. Enos.

CECILTON

Sewell Douns, of Mt. Pleasant, spent last Friday with friends here.

James H. Smith spent Monday and Tuesday in Baltimore this week.

Quite a number from here attended the entertainment at Galena on Friday evening of last week.

Miss Iona Benson, of Earleville, was the guest of her friend, Miss Blanche Padley, on Friday.

J. A. Pearce, G. M. Millikan, W. H. Brown and J. T. Bailey spent this week in Elkton, attending court.

Miss Ada Pearce, of Elkton, was the guest of her cousin, Miss Georgia Wainmeyer, on Thursday and Friday.

Bishop W. F. Adams, D. D., of the Diocese of Eastern, held services and confirmed two here in the Chapel on Sunday morning.

A dance was given in Mechanics' Hall by the young men of Cecilton on Thursday evening of last week. The usual crowd was in attendance, and a very nice time was had by all.

COLLATERAL WITNESSES

The Fifth National Bank has issued the following rules for its clerks: You must not drink any intoxicants with meals in public restaurants. You must not enter any saloon. You must not enter any gambling house. You must not enter any pool-room. You must not visit any race track. You must not enter any bucket-shop. You must not speculate. You must not attend prize fights. You must not have vicious companions. You must not frequent Broadway resorts or become conspicuous where the great white lights blaze.

WARWICK

Mrs. William T. Vinyard has been ill during the past week.

Mrs. Louis Crawford, who has been ill, is now convalescing.

Washington Camp, No. 8, P. O. S. of A., meets every Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bonchelle visited Mrs. Lambert Manlove on Wednesday.

Mrs. D. S. Cannon and Miss Anna Davies, of Philadelphia, are visiting Mrs. Mary A. Lofland.

Senior Endeavor prayer meeting at the M. P. Church to-morrow evening. Topic: "The wise use of Time." Eph. 5:15-21.

Invitations are out announcing a party to be given at the home of Mr. William Price, in Middle Neck, on Friday evening.

The young men of the M. P. Church will hold a Box Social in the school building, for the benefit of the Church on the 18th inst.

The Senior Endeavor Society held their monthly business and social meeting at the home of Mrs. William T. Vinyard last Friday evening.

The case of Rattleige vs. Holden and Merritt was tried at the Cecil County Court at Elkton on Monday. The case was decided in favor of Holden and Merritt.

The Fourth Quarterly Conference of this Circuit commenced in Sassafras M. P. Church February 22d. Mr. Louis P. King was elected delegate and Mr. Frank Sylvester alternate, to the Annual Conference which convenes in Snow Hill, April the first. By unanimous vote of the body the delegate was instructed to ask for the return of the pastor now in charge. The pastor reported 46 conversions, 47 accessions and 240 pastoral visits for the year.

[Written for THE TRANSCRIPT.] WHY DO WE WORRY? BY S. C. C.

Why do we worry about the past? We only stay for a day. For a month, or a year, at the Lord's best. In this habit of clay.

Why do we worry about the road, With its hill or deep ravine? In a dismal path or a heavy load, We are helped by hands unseen.

Why do we worry about the years, That our feet has not yet trod? Who labors with courage and trust, nor His fellowship with God.

The best will to me the great "to be," It is ours to serve and wait And the wonderful future the soon shall see For death is but the gate.

FOR SALE

Farm of 416 acres, about 2 miles from Cecilton, Kent Co., Md., formerly the property of the late R. C. Cochran, Esq., who had the reputation of being one of the best judges of land on the Peninsula, now tenanted by Thomas F. Faulkner.

This farm can be bought at a fair price, as the present owners have moved away. For further information, apply to J. S. SUTTON, Middletown, Del., or A. M. BROWN, Beacon St., Boston, Mass.

PUBLIC SALES

THURSDAY, MARCH 12th, 1908.—Public sale of stock, farming implements, etc., by William Jones, one mile east of Mt. Pleasant. W. Harman Reynolds, auctioneer.

MONDAY, MARCH 16th, 1908.—Public sale of stock, farming implements, etc., by Alexander Maxwell, on his farm about one mile north of Middletown. Joseph M. Armstrong, auctioneer.

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